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Abstract. Phenols are a major class of volatile organic compounds (VOC) whose reaction within, and partitioning between, the gas and liquid phases affects their lifetime within the atmosphere, the local oxidising capacity, and the extent of production of nitrophenols, which are toxic chemicals. In this work, a zero-dimension box model was constructed to quantify the relative importance of different nitration pathways, and partitioning into the liquid phase, of mono-aromatic compounds in order to help elucidate the formation pathways of 2- and 4-nitrophenol in the troposphere. The liquid phase contributed significantly to the production of nitrophenols for liquid water content (L_c) values exceeding 3×10^{-9} , and for a range of assumed liquid droplet diameter, even though the resultant equilibrium partitioning to the liquid phase was much lower. For example, in a “typical” model scenario, with $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$, 58% of nitrophenol production occurred in the liquid phase but only 2% of nitrophenol remained there, i.e. a significant proportion of nitrophenol observed in the gas phase may actually be produced via the liquid phase. The importance of the liquid phase was enhanced at lower temperatures, by a factor ~ 1.5 – 2 at 278 K c.f. 298 K. The model showed that nitrophenol production was particularly sensitive to the values of the rate coefficients for the liquid phase reactions between phenol and OH or NO₃ reactions, but insensitive to the rate coefficient for the reaction between benzene and OH, thus identifying where further experimental data are required.

1 Introduction

Nitrophenols were first reported in the environment, in rainwater, by Nojima et al. (1975). Investigation of the potential sources of nitrophenols was stimulated by the suggestion that toxicity arising from the deposition of nitrophenols

in rain could be one factor contributing to observed forest decline (Rippen et al., 1987; Natangelo et al., 1999). Subsequent analyses of samples of cloudwater, rainwater and snow have shown concentrations of nitrophenols to be significantly higher than would be expected from their direct emission (e.g. Levsen et al., 1990; Richartz et al., 1990; Tremp et al., 1993; Lüttke et al., 1997; Lüttke et al., 1999). Attention has therefore focused on the photochemical production of nitrophenols by reaction of mono-aromatics with OH radicals and NO_x present in the atmosphere (Harrison et al., 2005). These reactions can occur in the liquid or gas phases, or a combination of both. While pathways of gas-phase oxidation of benzene and alkylsubstituted benzenes have been extensively studied (Atkinson et al., 1992; Grosjean, 1991; Klotz et al., 1998; Knispel et al., 1990; Lay et al., 1996), the fate of these aromatics with respect to the aqueous phase is less well characterised.

Clouds are the most abundant form of condensed water in the troposphere covering around 60% of the earth at any one time. A moderately dense cloud has a volumetric liquid water content of only about 3×10^{-7} (Herterich and Herrmann, 1990; Molina et al., 1996), but despite the relatively sparse amounts of liquid water present in the atmosphere, condensed phase reactions play a surprisingly large role in atmospheric chemistry (Molina et al., 1996).

The most abundant aromatic species in the atmosphere, such as toluene, xylene and benzene, have very low Henry's Law coefficients (expressed as a liquid to gas ratio) and consequently will not partition into the aqueous phase to any significant extent. This does not make the aqueous phase irrelevant, for two important reasons: first, the Henry's Law coefficient describes an equilibrium process but if liquid phase reaction is fast then the liquid phase may still act as a competitive reaction channel; secondly, the more polar phenolic and nitrophenolic products of mono-aromatic hydrocarbon oxidation are likely to have significantly higher solubility in atmospheric water (Harrison et al., 2002).

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In this work a zero-dimensional box model was constructed to describe the essential features of the mono-aromatic nitration multiphase chemistry of the troposphere. The model was applied to identify the relative impact of different nitration pathways of mono-aromatics in the troposphere. It included the partitioning of 21 species and focused on the conversions of benzene to phenol to nitrophenols, in both the gas and liquid phases, and their phase partitioning.

2 Description of the multiphase model

The zero-dimensional model was coded using the FACSIMILE software which is designed specifically to solve complex chemical mechanisms (FACSIMILE, 2001). The model incorporated emission, deposition, gas and liquid phase reactions and phase transfer. The kinetic, thermodynamic and initial-value data used in the model are listed in Tables A1–A19 of the Appendix, with brief descriptions given below.

2.1 Gas and liquid phase species and initial concentrations

Parameters describing the gas phase concentrations of species (Table A1) were taken from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000) unless specified otherwise; time-dependent species were initialised with the values given in Table A2. All liquid phase species included in the mechanism (Table A3) were time-dependant, except for liquid water concentration H_2O_L , and were initialised with the values of Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000) unless specified otherwise.

2.2 Emissions

Source emission rates of certain species into the box (Table A4) were chosen such that the model would adequately simulate a typical polluted troposphere. The emission rates for benzene and NO were taken from the Chemical Mechanism Development (CMD) protocol as reported by Poppe et al. (2001). The emission of phenol was set at 1.5% the emission of benzene in accordance with data from the UK National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory (NAEI, 2002).

2.3 Dry deposition

The dry deposition velocities incorporated into the model are listed in Table A5. The deposition rate depends upon the value assigned to the depth of the boundary layer. In this model, an average depth of 1000 m was used. Since the dry deposition of O_3 and NO_2 are strongly linked to stomatal uptake, which in turn is related to the light intensity, this diurnal behaviour was incorporated by coding deposition velocity proportional to $J(NO_2)$.

2.4 Gas phase reactions

The latest IUPAC kinetic data were used to describe inorganic gas phase reactions (Tables A6 and A7) with data from

the latest Master Chemical Mechanism (as first described by Saunders et al., 1997) used for methane and aromatic gas phase reactions (Tables A8 to A9). Temperature dependent rate coefficients were explicitly coded using the appropriate Arrhenius expression data. Termolecular reaction rate coefficients were calculated from the parameters k_0 , k_∞ and F_c via the Troë approximation (Troë, 1983; Gilbert et al., 1983),

$$k = \frac{k_0 k_\infty F}{k_0 + k_\infty} \quad (1)$$

where F is defined by,

$$\log F = \frac{\log F_c}{1 + \left(\log\left(\frac{k_0}{k_\infty}\right)\right)^2} \quad (2)$$

2.5 Photolysis coefficients

Table A10 lists the gas phase photolysis reactions included in the model. The diurnal solar zenith angle χ was parameterised as described by Spencer (1971). “Clean” chemistry photolysis rate coefficients were parameterised in terms of χ using the CMD data of Poppe et al. (2001),

$$J = A \exp\left(B\left(1 - \frac{1}{\cos(C\chi)}\right)\right) \quad (3)$$

whilst photolysis rate coefficients in gas phase methane oxidation were parameterised according to the MCM (Saunders et al., 1997),

$$J = A (\cos \chi)^B \exp(C \sec \chi) \quad (4)$$

(A , B and C are constants in each case).

2.6 Gas-liquid phase transfer

Clouds were modelled assuming monodisperse droplets of diameter, $d=1\times 10^{-5}$ m. The “base scenario” cloud liquid volume fraction, L_c , was 3×10^{-7} . These values are in line with those used in other multiphase models (Herrmann et al., 2000; Lelieveld and Crutzen, 1990; Molina et al., 1996; Poppe et al., 2001) and are also in agreement with measured cloud data from Great Dun Fell in the UK (personal communication J.N. Cape). However, given that the liquid water content of the atmosphere can vary widely (Voisin et al., 2000) the model was run for L_c values in the range 3×10^{-9} to 3×10^{-6} . Since different droplet diameters are expected at either end of this L_c range, the model was also run with the assumption of water content distributed in droplets of diameter 1×10^{-6} m or 1×10^{-4} m. Clearly not all L_c and d combinations are entirely physically realistic in the atmosphere and this is discussed later.

Molecular phase transfer was treated using the approach of Schwartz (1986) in which the transfer rates from gas to liquid, and liquid to gas, are described by $\frac{1}{4}\bar{c}A_c\Gamma_{\text{overall}}$ and $\frac{\bar{c}A_c\Gamma_{\text{overall}}}{4L_cHRT}$, respectively, where $\bar{c}=\sqrt{\frac{8RT}{\pi M}}$ is the mean molecular speed of the gas (M is the molar mass), R is the molar

gas constant, T is the temperature, $A_c = \frac{6L_c}{d}$ is the specific surface area of the liquid phase, H is the Henry's Law coefficient, and Γ_{overall} is the overall uptake coefficient. The latter was calculated via the equation,

$$\Gamma_{\text{overall}} = \frac{1}{\frac{\bar{c}d}{8D_g} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad (5)$$

where, D_g is the gas phase diffusion coefficient and α is the mass accommodation coefficient.

The analysis assumes that species in the liquid phase are homogeneously dispersed throughout the entire droplet. This is justified as follows. The average distance travelled by diffusion in one dimension in time, t , is $\sqrt{2D_l t}$. For a typical liquid diffusion coefficient, D_l , of $1 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and droplet diameter of $1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$, a species takes only 0.013 s on average to diffuse to the centre of a droplet.

The 21 species for which phase transfer was included are listed in Table A11. Unless otherwise specified, data for D_g , α and H were obtained from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000). For species with no literature values of D_g , estimates were calculated using the method devised by Fuller et al. (1969).

2.7 Liquid phase reactions

As for the gas phase, the model included the liquid phase oxidation of organic compounds containing one carbon atom, as detailed in Tables A12 to A17. The majority of the reaction data were taken from Herrmann and co-workers (1999, 2000). Liquid phase photolysis rate coefficients were coded according to the CMD protocol (Poppe et al., 2001). Data for the aromatic chemistry in the liquid phase (Table A18) were taken from a number of sources. The rate coefficient for the reaction of benzene with OH was taken from Pan et al. (1993). For the reaction of phenol with NO_3 a value of $1.8 \times 10^9 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ was used (Barzaghi and Herrmann, 2002) which compares well with the value of $1.9 \times 10^9 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ given in the UNARO report (UNARO, 2001). Rate data to describe the loss of phenol through reaction with OH were also taken from this latter report.

2.8 Reactions of aromatics

The degradation of aromatics in the troposphere is an area in which there remains a large amount of uncertainty. In this model, the benzene oxidation scheme shown in Fig. 1 was used, with data from version 3 of the MCM. Around 25% of the reaction of benzene with OH yields phenol, with the remaining products being ring-opened species. While the oxidation of benzene is also initiated by the NO_3 radical, this is only a minor route. The rate coefficient for the reaction of benzene with OH at 298 K is $1.39 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ but $< 3 \times 10^{-17} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for reaction with NO_3 (Calvert et al., 2002). Phenol reacts with OH and NO_3 via

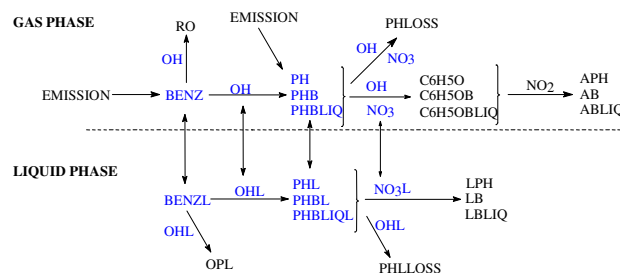


Fig. 1. Schematic of the aromatic chemistry in both the gas and liquid phases. Double headed arrows represent phase transfer between the gas and the liquid phase. The terms APH, AB, ABLIQ, LPH, LB, LBLIQ on the right-hand side of the diagram all refer to nitrophenol product but formed through different reaction paths through the scheme, as explained in Table 1 and colour-coded in Fig. 2. The other acronyms are constructed similarly, e.g. PHBL refers to phenol partitioned into the liquid phase following gas-phase oxidation of benzene.

abstraction of the phenolic hydrogen to yield the $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}$ intermediate which may then combine with NO_2 to generate nitrophenol.

As indicated in Fig. 1, at each stage of this oxidation process the aromatic species may undergo phase transfer. Although benzene has a very small Henry's Law coefficient, those for phenol and nitrophenols are considerably greater. In the liquid phase, benzene is oxidised through reaction with OH to produce phenol as well as other liquid phase products. Oxidation of benzene may also be initiated by the NO_3 radical. The liquid phase rate coefficient of the reaction between NO_3 and benzene has been measured (Herrmann et al., 1995; Herrmann et al., 1996), but there have been no studies of the products of this reaction. The phenol present in the liquid may then react with NO_3 to yield nitrophenol, or may be lost from the system through reaction with OH. It is assumed in the model that ring-retaining nitration products are the only product of phenol nitration in the liquid phase. In their study, Barzaghi and Herrmann (2002) presented new and previous data on phenol nitration and concluded that the two isomers, 2-nitrophenol and 4-nitrophenol, were the main reaction products. However, it must be noted that a reduced yield of nitrophenols from this reaction would slightly reduce the overall influence of the liquid phase on nitrophenol production.

A number of other reaction pathways to form nitrophenol from benzene/phenol also exist in addition to those included in the model, as reviewed recently by Harrison et al. (2005). However, these authors did not propose which additional pathways, if any, to the major ones discussed above and included in our model, are likely to be competitive under atmospheric (as opposed to laboratory) conditions of reagent availability and concentrations. One potentially important simplification in our model is the assumption that reaction of phenol with OH does not lead to nitrophenol generation.

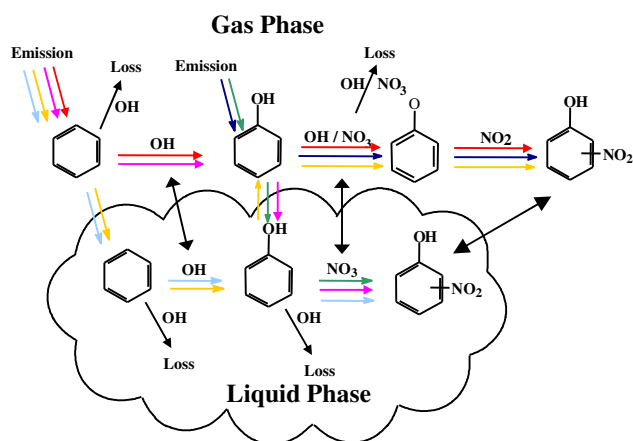


Fig. 2. Schematic of the colour scheme used to represent each different reaction path to nitrophenol formation. The different pathways are described more fully in Table 1.

Barzaghi and Herrmann (2002) proposed a route to nitrophenol formation by reaction of phenol with OH to form a dihydroxycyclohexadienyl radical (followed by NO_2 addition) in addition to the mechanism via reaction with NO_3 to form a phenoxyl radical as a first step. Although these authors reported modelling work suggesting that the reaction via OH could account for about 25% of the observed nitrophenol product in their experiments, they went on to conclude that the more important pathway is via the phenoxyl radical. The simplification in our model of not allowing for the possibility that some of the phenol+OH reaction yields nitrophenol will have the effect of underestimating the magnitude of liquid phase nitrophenol production, thereby offsetting the assumption discussed above that the main nitration route leads solely to ring-retaining products.

The ratio of nitrophenol isomers formed under tropospherically-relevant aqueous phase reaction remains uncertain although does now have greater consensus than when this modelling study was initiated. The observation by Barzaghi and Herrmann (2002) of 2NP:4NP product ratios in the range 60:40 to 50:50 (depending on reaction conditions) has now been supported by a very recent study by Vione et al. (2004) which reported a similar 60:40 2NP:4NP product ratio. It appears clear that aqueous phase nitration reactions of phenol do not yield the 3-nitrophenol isomer. Vione et al. (2004) observed 3NP in aqueous phase hydroxylation of nitrobenzene but the absence of 3NP in field measurements implies that this potential pathway is negligible as an atmospheric source of nitrophenols. In the model the ratio of the 2- and 4-nitrophenols formed was varied between the two different scenarios of predominantly 2NP production or predominantly 4NP production in order to “bracket” the range of possible product ratios. Output from the two scenarios are plotted in the same figure so that it is straightforward to interpolate the expected outcome for intermediate product ratios.

It is relevant to consider the likely loss routes of the nitrophenol products. The gas-phase rate coefficients for reaction of OH with 2- and 4-nitrophenol have been measured, $9 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Atkinson et al., 1992), and estimated, $4.3 \times 10^{-12} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Kwok and Atkinson, 1995), respectively. For a gas-phase OH radical concentration of 10^6 cm^{-3} these rate coefficients yield lifetimes for 2- and 4-nitrophenol of ~ 13 and ~ 3 days, respectively. The measured upper limit to the rate coefficient for the reaction of 2-nitrophenol with NO_3 is $2 \times 10^{-14} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ molecule}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Atkinson et al., 1992). Assuming a similar value for the analogous reaction of 4-nitrophenol (no data available), and a gas-phase NO_3 radical concentration of $2 \times 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, yields a lifetime of $> \sim 2$ day, but probably considerably longer. The aqueous-phase rate coefficients for reaction of OH with 2- and 4-nitrophenol are $9.2 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ and $3.8 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, respectively (Barzaghi and Herrmann, 2004), which for an average aqueous phase OH concentration of $\sim 10^{-13} \text{ M}$ yields lifetimes of $\sim 0.3 \text{ h}$ and 0.7 h respectively. The corresponding aqueous-phase rate coefficients for reaction with NO_3 are $2.3 \times 10^7 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Barzaghi and Herrmann, 2004) and $7.1 \times 10^7 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Umschlag et al., 2002), respectively, which for an average NO_3 concentration of 10^{-13} M yields lifetimes of ~ 5 and ~ 2 days, respectively. Thus, of the above, only the aqueous phase reaction with OH is a fast loss process for the nitrophenol products. However, as demonstrated in the model (see later), the vast majority of nitrophenol product formed in the aqueous phase rapidly equilibrates back into the gas-phase (within a diffusion timescale of seconds) so that nitrophenol product will not be subject to loss by the aqueous-phase OH reaction.

3 Results and discussion

The model was coded so that the different routes to formation of nitrophenol could be tracked. These routes are colour coded in the schematic in Fig. 2 and summarised with the nomenclature used here in Table 1. The same colour scheme is used in a number of the results graphs. Liquid phase processes are defined as those in which there has been a contribution from the liquid phase in the formation of the nitrophenols. These are represented by solid colours; the hatched colours signify the two gas phase only routes. The following additional abbreviations are used: NP2 and NP4 for 2- and 4-nitrophenol, respectively, present in the gas phase; and NP2L and NP4L for 2- and 4-nitrophenol present in the liquid phase. By comparing the route of formation with the final concentrations of the nitrophenols in each phase, it was possible to determine whether the nitrophenol produced in the gas phase was solely produced by gas phase reaction or whether liquid phase processes were involved. Model output is for a model simulation of two days and graphs show

Table 1. Descriptions of the possible reaction pathways to nitrophenol formation with the associated colours and coding used in the figures. See Fig. 2 for a comparative schematic of the pathways. The prefixes A and L in the acronyms indicate that the final step to nitrophenol production occurs in the air (i.e. gas-phase), or liquid (i.e. aqueous-phase), respectively, whilst the terms PH and B refer to phenol and benzene, respectively. LIQ indicates a pathway involving liquid phase oxidation of benzene to phenol.

Description of reaction pathway	Colour code in Fig. 2	Model code for product
Gas phase nitrophenol produced by gas phase reaction of phenol that was originally emitted into the gas phase	hatched blue	APH
Gas phase nitrophenol formed from gas phase phenol produced from benzene by gas phase reaction	hatched red	AB
Gas phase nitrophenol formed from gas phase phenol produced from benzene by liquid phase reaction	orange	ABLIQ
Liquid phase nitrophenol produced by the liquid phase reaction of phenol that was originally emitted into the gas but then partitioned into the liquid phase	green	LPH
Liquid phase nitrophenol formed from gas phase phenol produced from benzene by gas phase reaction	pink	LB
Liquid phase nitrophenol formed from liquid phase phenol produced from benzene by liquid phase reaction.	cyan	LBLIQ

time-series snapshots of output rather than integrated over the run-time.

3.1 Effect of the liquid phase

Figure 3 shows the modelled relative rate of total nitrophenol production through the various pathways at 278 K. As expected, the liquid phase (all solid colours) becomes a more important route for the production of nitrophenols as the liquid water content is increased. For the driest scenario ($L_c=3\times 10^{-9}$), less than 2% of nitrophenol production is via liquid phase processes, increasing to over 93% under the wettest conditions modelled ($L_c=3\times 10^{-6}$). At the “benchmark” L_c value of 3×10^{-7} , 58% of nitrophenol production occurs via liquid phase processes. The model clearly shows that nitrophenol production is sensitive to realistic values of L_c . It is also apparent from Fig. 3 that the routes of nitrophenol production via oxidation of benzene to phenol in the liquid phase, LBLIQ (cyan) and ABLIQ (orange), are not significant at any value of L_c . This indicates that the low aqueous solubility of benzene is not sufficiently offset by fast aqueous phase reaction to compete with nitrophenol production via phenol.

Figure 4 shows how the nitrophenol generated by the routes illustrated in Fig. 3 is actually partitioned between the gas and liquid phases. The liquid phase product ratio for 2- and 4-nitrophenol is not known, and since the two nitrophenols have significantly different Henry’s Law values, the modelled atmospheric partitioning of these products depends on the assumed product ratio, as illustrated by Figs. 4a and b (for which 2-nitrophenol:4-nitrophenol product ratios of 90:10 and 10:90, respectively, were assumed). In each

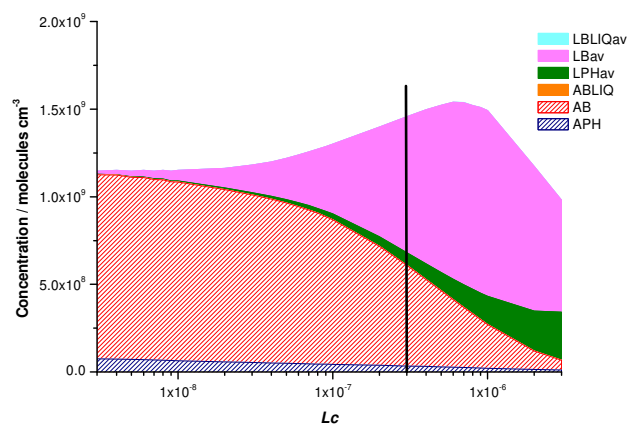


Fig. 3. The relative importance of the different nitration pathways at 278 K as a function of L_c .

case, for the driest scenario, the nitration of phenol is dominated by the gas phase reaction path (hatched colours) which only generates 2-nitrophenol. Since 2-nitrophenol has a relatively low Henry’s Law coefficient (385 M atm^{-1} at 278 K) it remains almost exclusively in the gas phase. Figure 4a shows that even for the wetter scenarios, 2-nitrophenol remains the dominant product. This is a consequence of the dominance of 2-nitrophenol in the product ratio assumed in this scenario. The proportion of 4-nitrophenol is considerably greater in scenario Fig. 4b where, for an L_c value of 3×10^{-7} , 4-nitrophenol accounts for 52% of the total nitrophenol produced, reflecting the larger proportion of liquid phase reactions that generate 4-nitrophenol. However, while

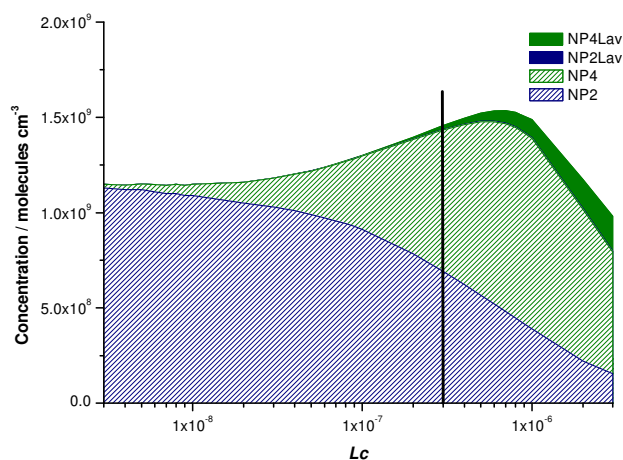
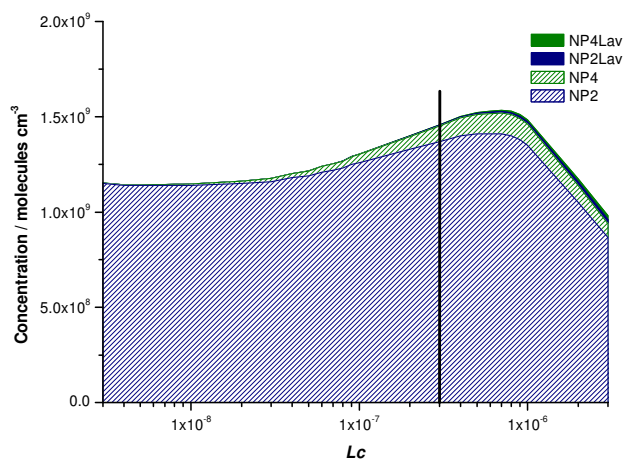


Fig. 4. The ratio of nitrophenols produced at 278 K as a function of L_c with the liquid phase reaction of NO_3 with phenol yielding (a) 90% 2-nitrophenol and 10% 4-nitrophenol and (b) 90% 4-nitrophenol and 10% 2-nitrophenol.

the relative amount of 2- or 4-nitrophenol has changed between these two scenarios, the total amount of nitrophenol partitioned into the liquid phase remains low (solid colours); for $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$ only 0.4% and 1.6% of nitrophenol is in the liquid phase for scenarios (a) and (b), respectively. These latter proportions can be compared with the fraction, f_w , expected in the aqueous phase for equilibrium partitioning of the nitrophenols between the phases:

$$f_w = 1 - \frac{1}{(1 + L_c HRT)} \quad (6)$$

For example, using the Henry's Law data contained in Table A11, the calculated f_w values at $T = 278$ K and $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$ are 0.5% and 2% for the two scenarios of 90:10

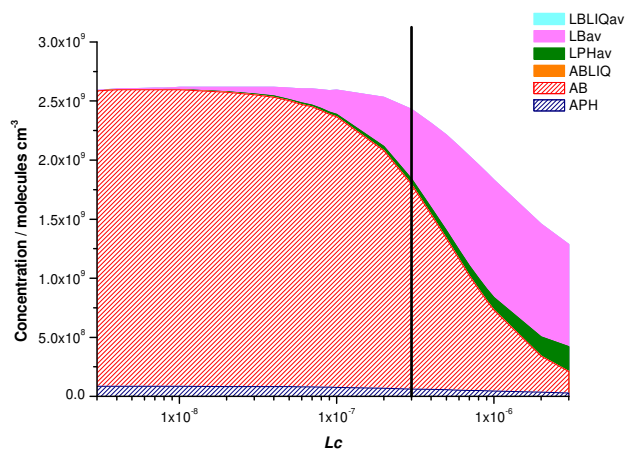


Fig. 5. The relative importance of the different nitration pathways at 298 K as a function of L_c .

or 10:90 2NP:4NP, respectively, which match those shown in Fig. 4.

Thus the key observation from comparison of Figs. 3 and 4 is that the contribution of the liquid phase to the production of nitrophenol (solid colours, Fig. 3) is much larger than the fraction of nitrophenol that is observed in the liquid phase (solid colours, Fig. 4). For example, when $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$ the liquid phase accounts for 58% of the total rate of nitrophenol production but <2% of the nitrophenol distribution. This indicates that a considerable proportion of nitrophenol observed in the gas phase may actually be produced via liquid phase pathways and, being a less soluble product, equilibrate back into the gas phase.

3.2 Effect of temperature

Figures 5 and 6 show results for a temperature of 298 K. The rate of nitrophenol production was greater at 298 K (Fig. 5) than at 278 K (Fig. 3) over the whole range of L_c values. For example, for $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$, nitrophenol production was almost 1.7 times greater at 298 K than at 278 K. On the other hand, the proportion of nitrophenol produced through liquid phase processes at $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$ decreases from 58% at 278 K (solid colours, Fig. 3) to 26% at 298 K (solid colours, Fig. 5). The former observation is due to the general increase in reaction rates at higher temperature, while the latter observation is due to the reduction in aqueous solubility with temperature. (Note that such an interpretation is somewhat over-simplistic; multiphase tropospheric chemistry consists of many processes affected differently by changes in temperature so whilst, for example, higher temperature may increase the rates of reactions from precursor to nitrophenol, it is likely also to increase the rate of competing precursor loss processes).

Figures 6a and b show that, at an L_c value of 3×10^{-7} , the proportion of nitrophenol actually partitioned in the liquid

phase is only <0.1% and 0.2%, respectively (solid colours). These proportions again reflect the equilibrium partitioning of nitrophenol in the liquid phase for these conditions. The proportions of nitrophenol in the liquid phase are lower than the equivalent proportions of 0.4% and 1.6% at 278 K (Fig. 4), despite the greater total production rate of nitrophenol at the higher temperature, because of the lower Henry's Law coefficients at higher temperatures, i.e., H values decline markedly with increased temperature, so there is substantially less reagent, both radical and other, transferred into the liquid phase. The reduced liquid phase nitrophenol production also affects the nitrophenol isomer ratio. At an L_c value of 3×10^{-7} , 4-nitrophenol comprises 6% and 52% of total nitrophenol produced at 278 K for scenarios (a) and (b) respectively, compared with 3% and 24% at 298 K.

Comparison of the proportions of solid colours in Figs. 5 and 6 again emphasises that a considerable proportion of nitrophenol ultimately partitioned in the gas phase may actually be formed in the liquid phase. For example, for $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$, the liquid phase contributes 26% to total production of nitrophenol but <~0.2% to the ultimate phase partitioning of the nitrophenol.

3.3 Sensitivity towards the liquid phase reaction rate coefficients

An important application of models is to investigate the sensitivity of output to variations in parameters whose values may be uncertain. One parameter for which laboratory data are sparse is the liquid phase reaction rate coefficient between benzene and OH. Although Figs. 3 and 6 suggest that this reaction is only a minor route in the production of nitrophenols (cyan and orange colours in the figures), it is possible that a change to this rate coefficient might cause a large effect upon the system as a whole. However, simulations show that nitrophenol production at $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$ is unaffected even when this rate coefficient is increased by two orders of magnitude. Only under the very wettest conditions is any nitrophenol formed via an increased rate of liquid phase reaction between benzene and OH, and even in this scenario this route contributes only 2.4% to nitrophenol production.

The effect of changing the rate coefficient for the reaction between phenol and NO_3 to either $1.8 \times 10^8 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ or $1.8 \times 10^{10} \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ is shown in Figs. 7a and b, respectively. The base scenario for comparison is Fig. 5, in which the value of the rate coefficient is $1.8 \times 10^9 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, as reported by Herrmann and co-workers (Barzaghi and Herrmann, 2002; Umschlag et al., 2002). When L_c is small (<~ 10^{-8}), reactions in the liquid phase are not important, and changes to this rate coefficient have no impact on nitrophenol production (the cyan, pink and green coloured routes in the figures). In contrast, for $L_c > \sim 10^{-8}$, comparison of Figs. 5 and 7 show that an increase in phenol+ NO_3 rate coefficient leads to a large increase in the amount of nitrophenol produced in the liquid phase, and vice versa.

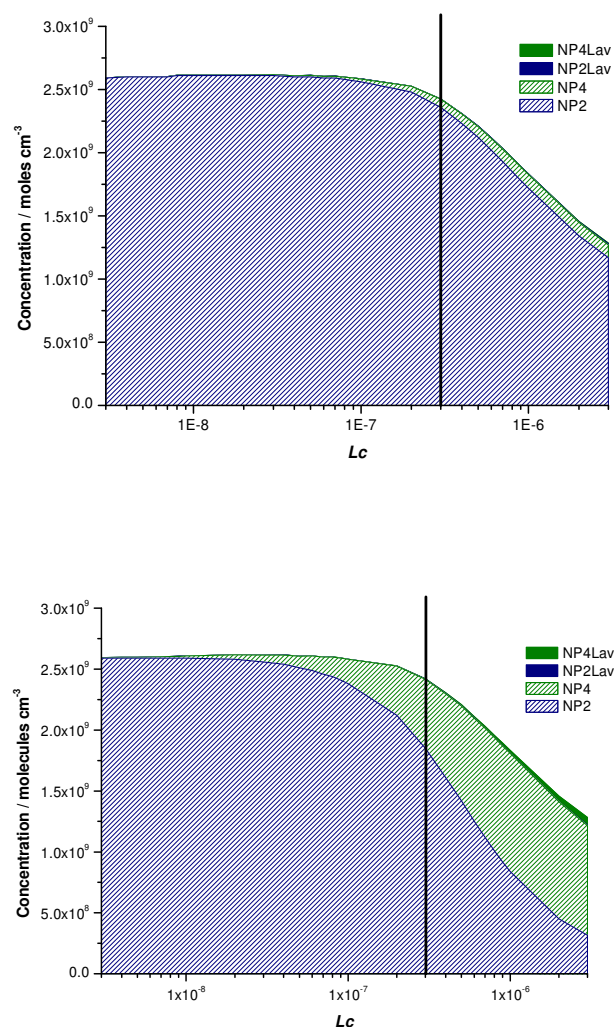


Fig. 6. The ratio of nitrophenols produced at 298 K as a function of L_c with the liquid phase reaction of NO_3 with phenol yielding (a) 90% 2-nitrophenol and 10% 4-nitrophenol and (b) 90% 4-nitrophenol and 10% 2-nitrophenol.

For $L_c = 3 \times 10^{-7}$, the proportion of nitrophenol produced in the liquid phase is 26% when the rate coefficient has the best-estimate value of $1.8 \times 10^9 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (solid colours, Fig. 5), but is 4 % or 67 % when the value of this rate coefficient is decreased, or increased, respectively, by an order of magnitude (solid colour, Fig. 7).

Variation in the liquid phase phenol+ NO_3 rate coefficient also impinges upon the amount of nitrophenol produced via the gas phase. This is because the liquid phase reaction between phenol and NO_3 also acts as an effective loss route for NO_3 , increasing the gas-to-liquid phase transfer of this radical and reducing its concentration in the gas phase. The hatched colour portions of Figs. 5 and 7b show that increasing the rate coefficient from $1.8 \times 10^9 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ to $1.8 \times 10^{10} \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for an L_c value of 3×10^{-7} reduces the amount of gas phase production of nitrophenol by ~25%.

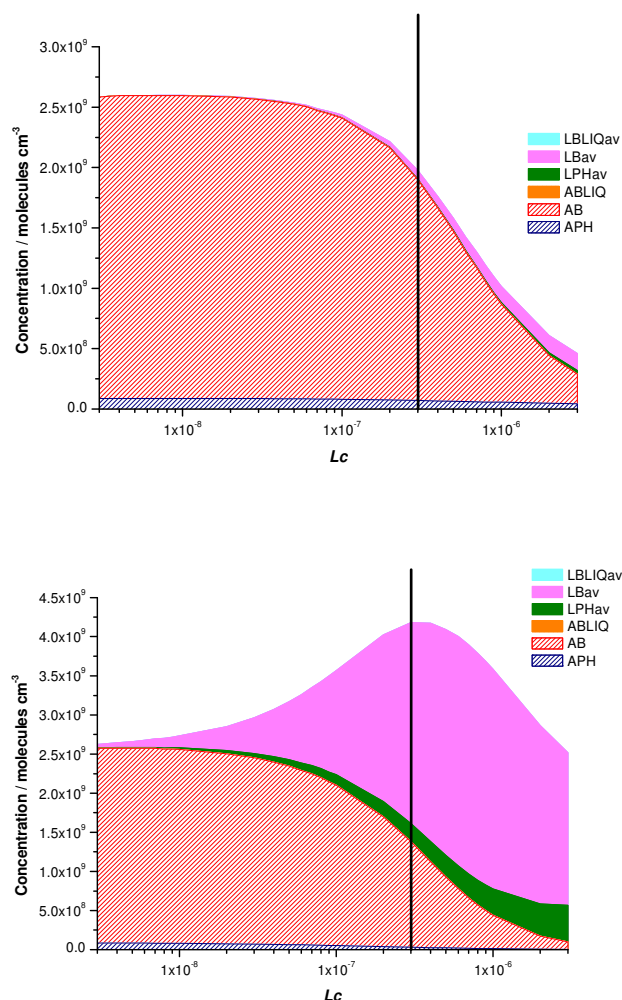


Fig. 7. The relative importance of the different nitration pathways at 298 K with the phenol + NO₃ liquid phase reaction rate coefficient set at (a) $1.8 \times 10^8 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ and (b) $1.8 \times 10^{10} \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (compare with Fig. 5 for rate coefficient of $1.8 \times 10^9 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$).

This effect is likely further enhanced at lower temperatures (since lower temperatures also increase liquid phase transfer), although it would also depend on the degree of temperature dependence of the rate coefficient.

An equally important process is the reaction of phenol with OH which competes with the nitration reaction. The UNARO report (UNARO, 2001) gives a rate coefficient of $6.6 \times 10^9 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ for the phenol+OH reaction at 298 K, as used in the base scenario depicted in Fig. 5. Figure 8a and b show the effect of changing this rate coefficient value to $6.6 \times 10^8 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ and $6.6 \times 10^{10} \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$, respectively. As before, for liquid water content $< 10^{-8}$, changes to the liquid phase reaction rate have little effect on production of nitrophenol. For higher values of liquid water content, a higher value of the phenol+OH rate coefficient leads to less nitrophenol production. But changes in the rate of this reac-

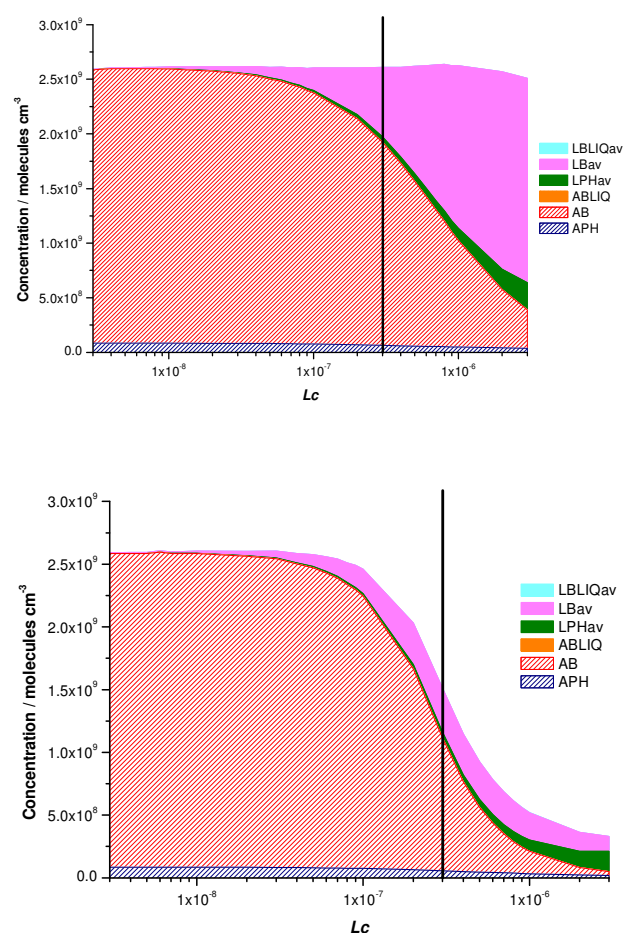


Fig. 8. The relative importance of the different nitration pathways at 298 K with the phenol + OH liquid phase reaction rate coefficient set at (a) $6.6 \times 10^8 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ and (b) $6.6 \times 10^{10} \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$. (Compare with Fig. 5 for rate coefficient of $6.6 \times 10^9 \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$).

tion also give rise to changes in nitrophenol production in the gas phase (comparison of the hatched portions of Figs. 5 and 8). This is because the liquid phase reaction between phenol and OH also acts as a loss route for OH. Increasing the gas-to-liquid phase transfer of OH slows the rate of gas phase oxidation of benzene to phenol to nitrophenol, as illustrated in Fig. 1.

3.4 Effect of droplet diameter

As justified above, the base scenario droplet diameter was $1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$. Figure 9a and b shows the effect of assuming that liquid water content was dispersed in droplets of diameter $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$ or $1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}$, respectively (Fig. 5 is the comparative output for $d=1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$ at $T=298 \text{ K}$). From Figs. 5 and 9 the proportion of nitrophenol produced by liquid phase processes (solid colours) is 37, 26 and 5% when $d=1 \times 10^{-6}$, 1×10^{-5} and $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$, respectively, for $L_c=3 \times 10^{-7}$. For a given L_c value, a smaller droplet diameter means a larger

liquid phase specific area, A_c , which changes the phase-transfer kinetics because the uptake coefficient, Γ_{overall} , is inversely proportional to d (Eq. 5). (Changing d at a given L_c does not change the equilibrium Henry's law phase partitioning, although larger droplets may reduce liquid phase mixing). In interpreting Fig. 9 it must also be remembered that L_c values at the ends of the modelled range are likely to be associated with different droplet diameters in reality. The smallest modelled L_c value (3×10^{-9}) is more typical of mist/haze, which is unlikely to consist of droplets as large even as 1×10^{-5} m. Likewise, the largest modelled L_c value (3×10^{-9}) corresponds to a heavy condensed phase event such as fog, for which droplet diameters in the range 1×10^{-5} to 1×10^{-4} m are most plausible.

Although a smaller droplet diameter increases the proportion of nitrophenol production in the liquid phase it decreases total nitrophenol production overall (Fig. 9b). As well as its direct impact on species that undergo phase transfer, a change in liquid phase specific area also indirectly impacts upon reactions of other species (in both phases) that do not undergo phase transfer. For example, when d is smaller, the gas phase concentrations of both OH and NO_3 (which do undergo phase transfer) are reduced, while in the liquid phase NO_3 is reduced but OH is increased, and these changes will have an effect on rates of other reactions. In the gas phase both OH and NO_3 affect both production and loss of nitrophenol, while in the liquid phase increased OH concentration limits nitrophenol production by removing phenol. As the effect of the liquid phase is enhanced at the smaller droplet size, this increase in liquid phase phenol+OH loss reaction has the overall effect of reducing the total amount of nitrophenol produced.

3.5 Comparison of model results with field observations

Model simulations of nitrophenol concentration were compared against the reported field data summarised in Table 2. Only general comparisons can be undertaken since the model was zero-dimensional and monodisperse and did not include emissions or concentration data specific to any particular field campaign.

The data presented in Figs. 3 to 9 are model simulations of two days, chosen to represent a reasonable air-mass processing time. The gas phase nitration of phenol is thought to yield mainly 2-nitrophenol so model simulations incorporating this as the dominant product of this reaction are most appropriate. Thus, the field data are compared in Table 2 with the model simulated data corresponding to Fig. 4a (i.e. best-guess base scenario, $T=278$ K). The model data are for $L_c=3 \times 10^{-7}$ and have been converted to the appropriate units of ng m^{-3} and $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$.

Table 2 shows that model simulated data are of an appropriate order of magnitude; for example, the value of 160 ng m^{-3} generated by the model for 2-nitrophenol in the gas phase is between the values of 350 ng m^{-3} measured at

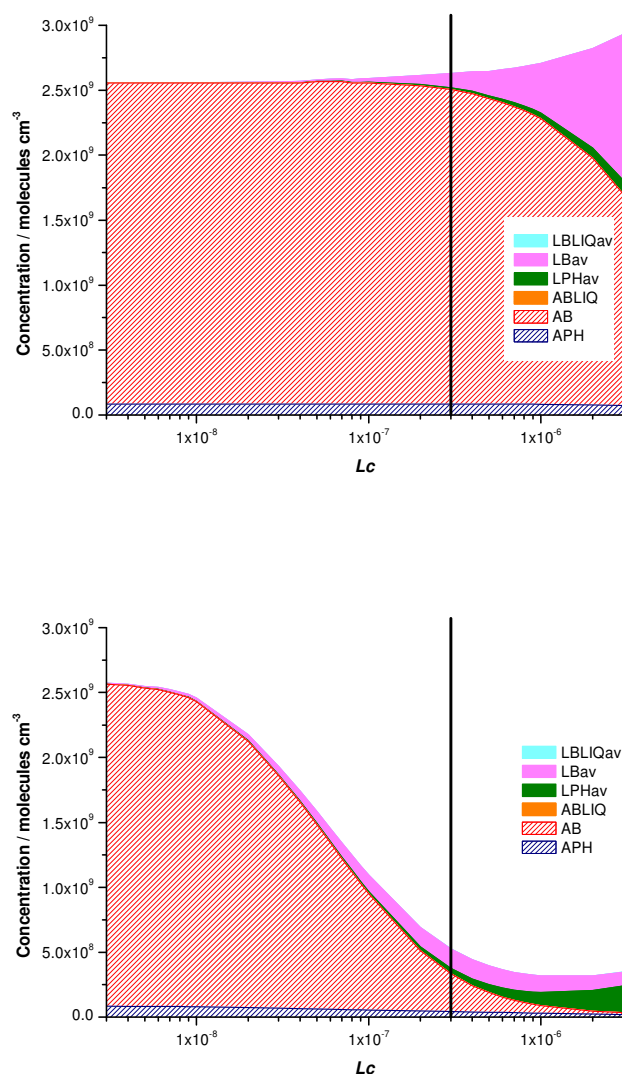


Fig. 9. The relative importance of the different nitration pathways at 298 K with monodisperse liquid droplet diameter of (a) 1×10^{-4} m and (b) 1×10^{-6} m (compare with Fig. 5 for diameter 1×10^{-5} m).

an urban site in Switzerland, and 24 ng m^{-3} measured at an urban site, in Oregon. The smaller concentrations of $0.8\text{--}6.4 \text{ ng m}^{-3}$ were measured at the remote site at Great Dun Fell (GDF). In addition to the atmospheric formation of nitrophenols by the routes indicated here, the observed data in Table 2 from urban areas may include nitrophenol emitted from primary sources such as car exhaust which is not considered in the model. Field measurements for 4-nitrophenol in the gas phase are only available from the GDF campaign ($1.2\text{--}35 \text{ ng m}^{-3}$) and from Rome ($\sim 22 \text{ ng m}^{-3}$). The model simulated concentrations (170 ng m^{-3}) are somewhat higher, although still reasonably consistent given that the model was not set up to simulate a particular real scenario.

At GDF, concentrations of 4-nitrophenol were generally higher than those for 2-nitrophenol (Table 2), whereas they

Table 2. Measurements of 2- and 4-nitrophenol in cloudwater and the gas phase. Note that simultaneous measurement of concentrations in both phases has only been undertaken in the Great Dun Fell field campaign. Model simulation data correspond to Fig. 4a and are for two days at 278 K, with a volume fraction liquid water content of 3×10^{-7} , and assumed branching ratio for the reaction of phenol with NO_3 of 90% 2-nitrophenol and 10% 4-nitrophenol.

	Field observations		Model simulations (this study)	
	Gas phase/ ng m^{-3}	Cloud/ $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$	Gas phase/ ng m^{-3}	Cloud/ $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$
2-nitrophenol	0.8–6.4 ^a	0.02–0.6 ^a	160 (6.9×10^8) ^g	1.4
	24 ^b	0.3 ^c		
	350 ^d			
	~14 ^e			
4-nitrophenol	1.2–35 ^a	0.05–4.9 ^a	170 (7.4×10^8) ^g	16
	~22 ^e	1.7–16.3 ^f		
		21 ^c		
		5.4 ^c		

^a Great Dun Fell, England (Lüttke et al., 1997)

^b Portland, Oregon (Leuenberger et al., 1985)

^c Mount Brocken, Germany (Lüttke et al., 1999)

^d urban site, Switzerland (Leuenberger et al., 1988)

^e urban site, Rome, gas and particle-bound (Cecinato et al., 2005)

^f Vosges mountains, France (Levsen et al., 1990)

^g Values in parenthesis are gas phase concentrations in units of molecules cm^{-3}

are more similar for measurements in Rome and for the model data. The comparison is almost irrelevant because the model data relies on an assumption of 2-nitrophenol to 4-nitrophenol ratio.

Liquid phase nitrophenol measurements are available only for less polluted environments. Again the effect of the presumed pollution burden of the air mass can be seen with the values at Mount Brocken and the Vosges Mountains generally higher than those observed at the more remote site at GDF. Considering the lack of observational data at urban sites, the concentrations obtained by the model agree favourably with those values obtained by field work studies.

The only primary emission data available for nitrophenols are isolated measurements of some vehicle exhausts, reported to be up to the mg m^{-3} range (Nojima et al., 1983; Tremp et al., 1993). There are no inventory data. It is therefore not possible reliably to estimate how much nitrophenol measured in the atmosphere is derived from primary sources. Whilst primary emissions may be important in the immediate roadside environment, it seems likely that the majority of atmospheric nitrophenol is of secondary origin as described here.

4 Conclusions

A box model of relevant multiphase tropospheric chemistry has shown that liquid water cloud/rain drops can contribute significantly to the formation of 2- and 4-nitrophenol from benzene and phenol emitted into the troposphere in the gas phase. The partitioning of nitrophenol product back into the gas phase often obscures the fact that a significant proportion of measured gas phase nitrophenol is produced through liquid phase reactions. The results emphasise the importance of ensuring that both liquid and gas phase processes are included for a complete understanding of the sources and fates of certain tropospheric species.

Appendix A

Table A1. Concentrations of time-independent gas phase species.

Species	Concentration/molecules cm ⁻³
O ₂	5.1×10^{18}
H ₂ O	5.1×10^{17}
CO	5.1×10^{12}
CH ₄	4.34×10^{13}
CO ₂	9.5×10^{15}
RH (alkane)	2.55×10^{11}
RO ₂ (alkyl peroxy radical)	$3 \times \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2^a$

^a estimated value to achieve a stable radical budget**Table A2.** Initial concentrations of time-dependent gas phase species.

Variable	Initial concentration/molecules cm ⁻³
O ¹ D	5×10^3
O ³ P	5×10^3
N ₂ O	7.5×10^{12}
CH ₃ NO ₃	6×10^8
CH ₃ O ₂ NO ₂	1×10^6
PH	2.55×10^8 ^a
NO ₃	1.6×10^7 ^b
BENZ	1.68×10^{11} ^a
OH	5×10^3
HO ₂	5×10^6
H ₂ O ₂	2×10^{10} ^b
HNO ₃	2.55×10^{10} ^b
HCHO	2×10^8 ^b
HNO ₂	2×10^8
HCOOH	2×10^{11}
CH ₃ O ₂	3×10^8
CH ₃ OOH	2.55×10^8 ^b
NO ₂	1.75×10^{10} ^b
N ₂ O ₅	5×10^6
O ₃	5×10^{11} ^b
CH ₃ OH	1.275×10^{11} ^b
HO ₂ NO ₂	3×10^7
NO	6×10^9

^a Leuenberger et al., 1988^b Herrmann et al., 1999; Herrmann et al., 2000**Table A3.** Initial concentrations of time-dependent liquid phase species.

Variable	Initial concentration/moles L ⁻¹
H ⁺	3.16×10^{-5}
OH ⁻	4×10^{-12}
O ₂ ⁻	1×10^{-10}
NO ₃ ⁻	1×10^{-10}
NO ₂ ⁻	1×10^{-11}
O ₂ NO ₂ ⁻	1×10^{-10}
H ₂ CO ₃	5×10^{-10}
CO ₃ ²⁻	1×10^{-22}
CO ₃ ⁻	1×10^{-18}
CH ₂ OHOH	4×10^{-5}
HCOO ⁻	3×10^{-6}
HCO ₃ ⁻	1×10^{-14}
HOCl	1×10^{-10}
Cl ₂	6×10^{-18}
Cl ₂ ⁻	1×10^{-13}
Cl	1×10^{-17}
Cl ⁻	1×10^{-4}
HCl	2×10^{-14}
ClOH ⁻	1×10^{-17}
PH (phenol)	8.2×10^{-8} ^a
NO ₃	3.5×10^{-13}
BENZ (benzene)	6.1×10^{-9} ^a
OH	5×10^{-15}
HO ₂	1×10^{-9}
H ₂ O ₂	8×10^{-5}
HNO ₃	2.1×10^{-4}
HCHO	2×10^{-8}
HNO ₂	4×10^{-10}
HCOOH	5×10^{-5}
CH ₃ O ₂	7×10^{-12}
CH ₃ OOH	1×10^{-10}
NO ₂	8×10^{-12}
N ₂ O ₅	2.75×10^{-13}
O ₃	2×10^{-10}
CH ₃ OH	1×10^{-6}
CO ₂	1.1×10^{-5}
HO ₂ NO ₂	1×10^{-7}
NO	5×10^{-13}

^a (Leuenberger et al., 1988)**Table A4.** Emission rates of species introduced into the box model.

Species	Emission rate/molecules cm ⁻³ s ⁻¹
NO	2×10^6
PH (phenol)	7.6×10^2
BENZ (benzene)	5.1×10^4

Table A5. Dry deposition velocities of species removed from the box model.

Species	Deposition rates/s ⁻¹
H ₂ O ₂	$5 \times 10^{-3}/1000$
HNO ₃	$2 \times 10^{-2}/1000$
HNO ₂	$5 \times 10^{-3}/1000$
O ₃	$(2 \times 10^{-3}/1000) + 1.089918 \times 10^{-3} \times J\text{NO}_2$
NO ₂	$2.7248 \times 10^{-4} \times J\text{NO}_2$

Table A6. Reactions included in the “clean” chemistry of the gas phase and the corresponding rate coefficient expressions. ([M] is calculated for 1 atm pressure and model temperature). Data from the IUPAC evaluation unless otherwise stated.

Reaction	Rate coefficient/cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
H ₂ O ₂ +OH→H ₂ O+HO ₂	$2.9 \times 10^{-12} \exp(-160/T)$
NO+O ₃ →NO ₂	$1.4 \times 10^{-12} \exp(-1310/T)$
O ¹ D→O ³ P	$3.2 \times 10^{-11} \exp(67/T) \times [M]$
O ₃ +OH→HO ₂	$1.7 \times 10^{-12} \exp(-940/T)$
O ₃ +HO ₂ →OH	$2.03 \times 10^{-16} \times (T/300)^{4.57} \exp(693/T)$
NO+HO ₂ →NO ₂ +OH	$3.6 \times 10^{-12} \exp(270/T)$
HO ₂ +HO ₂ →H ₂ O ₂	$2.2 \times 10^{-13} \exp(600/T)$
HO ₂ +HO ₂ →H ₂ O ₂	$1.9 \times 10^{-33} \times [M] \exp(980/T)$
NO ₂ +O ₃ →NO ₃	$1.4 \times 10^{-13} \exp(-2470/T)$
NO+NO ₃ →NO ₂ +NO ₂	$1.8 \times 10^{-11} \exp(110/T)$
OH+HO ₂ →H ₂ O+O ₂	$4.8 \times 10^{-11} \exp(250/T)$
OH+OH→H ₂ O+O ³ P	$6.2 \times 10^{-14} \times (T/298)^{2.6} \exp(945/T)$
O ³ P+O ₂ →O ₃	$5.6 \times 10^{-34} \times (T/300)^{-2.8} \times [M]$
OH+HNO ₃ →H ₂ O+NO ₃	REUS1+REUS2 where: REUS1= $7.2 \times 10^{-15} \exp(785/T)$ REUS2=(REUS3×[M])/(1+(REUS3×[M])/REUS4) REUS3= $1.9 \times 10^{-33} \exp(725/T)$ REUS4= $4.1 \times 10^{-16} \exp(1440/T)$
CO+OH→H	$1.3 \times 10^{-13} \times (1+(0.6 \times 300/T))$
O ³ P+NO ₂ →NO	$5.5 \times 10^{-12} \exp(188/T)$
OH+HO ₂ NO ₂ →NO ₂ ^a	$1.3 \times 10^{-12} \exp(380/T)$
O ¹ D+N ₂ O→NO+NO	7.2×10^{-11}
O ¹ D+H ₂ O→OH+OH	2.2×10^{-10}
OH+NO ₃ →HO ₂ +NO ₂	2×10^{-11}
OH+HNO ₂ →H ₂ O+NO ₂	$2.5 \times 10^{-12} \exp(260/T)$
N ₂ O ₅ →HNO ₃ +HNO ₃	1×10^{-6}

^a Saunders et al., 1997**Table A7.** Termolecular reactions included in the “clean” chemistry of the gas phase and the data used to calculate the corresponding rate coefficient expressions^a. Data from the IUPAC evaluation unless otherwise stated.

Reaction	k_0	k_∞	F_c
OH+NO ₂ →HNO ₃	$2.6 \times 10^{-30} \times (T/300)^{-2.9} \times [M]$	$7.5 \times 10^{-11} (T/300)^{-0.6}$	$\exp(-T/340)$
OH+OH→H ₂ O ₂	$6.9 \times 10^{-31} \times (T/300)^{-0.8} \times [M]$	2.6×10^{-11}	0.5
NO ₂ +NO ₃ →N ₂ O ₅	$2.8 \times 10^{-30} \times (T/300)^{-3.5} \times [M]$	$2 \times 10^{-12} (T/300)^{0.2}$	$2.5 \exp(-1950/T)$ $+0.9 \exp(-T/430)$
N ₂ O ₅ →NO ₂ +NO ₃	$1 \times 10^{-3} \times (T/300)^{-3.5}$ $\exp(-11000/T) \times [M]$	$9.7 \times 10^{14} (T/300)^{0.1}$ $\exp(-11080/T)$	$2.5 \exp(-1950/T)$ $+0.9 \exp(-T/430)$
O ³ P+NO ₂ →NO ₃	$9 \times 10^{-32} \times (T/300)^{-2} \times [M]$	2.2×10^{-11}	$\exp(-T/1300)$
H+O ₂ →HO ₂	$5.4 \times 10^{-32} \times (T/300)^{-1.8} \times [M]$	7.5×10^{-11}	$\exp(-T/498)$
O ³ P+NO→NO ₂	$1 \times 10^{-31} \times (T/300)^{-1.6} \times [M]$	$3 \times 10^{-11} (T/300)^{0.3}$	$\exp(-T/1850)$
OH+NO→HNO ₂	$7.4 \times 10^{-31} \times (T/300)^{-2.4} \times [M]$	3.3×10^{-11}	$\exp(-T/1420)$
HO ₂ +NO ₂ →HO ₂ NO ₂ ^b	$1.80 \times 10^{-31} \times (T/300)^{-3.2} \times [M]$	4.70×10^{-12}	0.6
HO ₂ NO ₂ →HO ₂ +NO ₂ ^b	$4.10 \times 10^{-5} \exp(-10650/T) \times [M]$	$5.70 \times 10^{15} \exp(-11170/T)$	0.5

^a Rate coefficients are calculated from the data listed using the Troë formulation as described in the text.^b Saunders et al., 1997

Table A8. Reactions for the gas phase oxidation of methane and the corresponding rate coefficient expressions. Data from the Master Chemical Mechanism.

Reaction	Rate coefficient/cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹ ^a
OH+CH ₄ →CH ₃ O ₂	7.44×10 ⁻¹⁸ ×T ² exp(-1361/T)
CH ₃ O ₂ +HO ₂ →CH ₃ OOH	4.1×10 ⁻¹³ exp(790/T)
OH+CH ₃ NO ₃ →HCHO+NO ₂	1.00×10 ⁻¹⁴ exp(1060/T)
OH+CH ₃ OOH→CH ₃ O ₂	1.90×10 ⁻¹² exp(190/T)
OH+CH ₃ OOH→HCHO+OH	1.00×10 ⁻¹² exp(190/T)
CH ₃ O ₂ +NO→CH ₃ NO ₃	3.00×10 ⁻¹⁵ exp(280/T)
CH ₃ O ₂ +NO→CH ₃ O+NO ₂	3.00×10 ⁻¹² exp(280/T)
OH+HCHO→HO ₂ +CO	1.20×10 ⁻¹⁴ ×T exp(287/T)
CH ₃ OH+OH→HO ₂ +HCHO	6.01×10 ⁻¹⁸ ×T ² exp(170/T)
CH ₃ O ₂ →CH ₃ O	0.60×10 ⁻¹³ exp(416/T)×[CH ₃ O ₂]
CH ₃ O ₂ →HCHO	0.61×10 ⁻¹³ exp(416/T)×[CH ₃ O ₂]
CH ₃ O ₂ →CH ₃ OH	0.61×10 ⁻¹³ exp(416/T)×[CH ₃ O ₂]
RH+OH→loss	5×10 ⁻¹³
RH+NO ₃ →loss	1×10 ⁻¹⁵
RO ₂ +NO→HO ₂ +NO ₂	3.00×10 ⁻¹² exp(280/T)
CH ₃ O ₂ +NO ₃ →CH ₃ O+NO ₂	1×10 ⁻¹²
NO ₃ +HCHO→HNO ₃ +CO+HO ₂	5.8×10 ⁻¹⁶
CH ₃ O→HCHO+HO ₂	7.20×10 ⁻¹⁴ exp(-1080/T)×[M]×0.2095

^a Rate coefficients for the last and penultimate reactions listed have units of s⁻¹ and cm⁶ molecule⁻² s⁻¹, respectively, and are calculated from the listed data using the Troë formulation as described in the text.

Table A9. Gas phase reactions for the mono-aromatic species and corresponding rate coefficient expressions. (BENZ and PH represent benzene and phenol, respectively). Data from the Master Chemical Mechanism.

Reaction	Rate coefficient/cm ³ molecule ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
BENZ+OH→Ring Opened Species	$3.58 \times 10^{-12} \exp(-280/T) \times 0.65 \times 0.5$
BENZ+OH→Ring Opened Species+HO ₂	$3.58 \times 10^{-12} \exp(-280/T) \times 0.65 \times 0.5$
BENZ+OH→PH+HO ₂	$3.58 \times 10^{-12} \exp(-280/T) \times 0.25$
BENZ+OH→Ring Opened Species	$3.58 \times 10^{-12} \exp(-280/T) \times 0.10$
PH+OH→C ₆ H ₅ O	$2.63 \times 10^{-11} \times 0.067$
PH+OH→PH loss route	$2.63 \times 10^{-11} \times 0.933$
PH+NO ₃ →C ₆ H ₅ O+HNO ₃	$3.78 \times 10^{-12} \times 0.251$
PH+NO ₃ →PH loss route	$3.78 \times 10^{-12} \times 0.749$
C ₆ H ₅ O+NO ₂ →NITROPHENOL	3.90×10^{-13}

Table A10. Gas phase photochemical reactions and the data used to parameterise the corresponding photochemical rate coefficients.

Reaction	A	B	C
NO ₂ →O ³ P+NO ^a	1.03×10^{-2}	9.61800×10^{-1}	8.46710×10^{-1}
O ₃ →O ¹ D ^a	5.00×10^{-5}	3.29332	8.07820×10^{-1}
O ₃ →O ³ P ^a	5.11×10^{-4}	3.71950×10^{-1}	9.22890×10^{-1}
HNO ₂ →OH+NO ^a	2.36×10^{-3}	1.06560	8.36440×10^{-1}
HNO ₃ →OH+NO ₂ ^a	8.07×10^{-7}	2.30845	8.13640×10^{-1}
NO ₃ →NO ^a	2.59×10^{-2}	2.96180×10^{-1}	9.37480×10^{-1}
NO ₃ →NO ₂ +O ³ P ^a	2.30×10^{-1}	3.35180×10^{-1}	9.30590×10^{-1}
H ₂ O ₂ →OH+OH ^a	1.18×10^{-5}	1.65050	8.16060×10^{-1}
HCHO→CO+HO ₂ +HO ₂ ^b	4.642×10^{-5}	0.762	-0.353
HCHO→CO+H ₂ ^b	6.853×10^{-5}	0.477	-0.323
CH ₃ OOH→CH ₃ O+OH ^b	7.649×10^{-6}	0.682	-0.279
CH ₃ NO ₃ →CH ₃ O+NO ₂ ^b	1.588×10^{-6}	1.154	-0.318

^a Photochemical rate coefficient parameterised using the formula of Poppe et al. (2001), Eq. (3).

^b Photochemical rate coefficient parameterised using the formula of Saunders et al. (1997), Eq. (4).

Table A11. Values of uptake parameters for species undergoing gas-liquid phase transfer. (NP2 and NP4 represent 2- and 4-nitrophenol, respectively). Data from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000) except where otherwise stated.

Species	$H/M \text{ atm}^{-1}$	α	$D_g/\text{cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$	$\bar{c}/\text{cm s}^{-1}$
PH	$\exp((5850/T)-11.6)^a$	0.01 ^b	0.0853 ^c	25908
NO ₃	0.6	4×10^{-3}	0.1	31901
BENZ	$\exp((4000/T)-15.14)^d$	1×10^{-3} ^b	0.0895 ^c	28441
OH	$25 \exp(5280 \times (1/T-1/298))$	0.05	0.153	60922
H ₂ O ₂	9×10^3	0.01	0.104	43726
H ₂ O ₂	$1 \times 10^5 \exp(6340 \times (1/T-1/298))$	0.11	0.146	43078
HNO ₃	$2.1 \times 10^5 \exp(8700 \times (1/T-1/298))$	0.054	0.132	31647
HCHO	$3000 \exp(7200 \times (1/T-1/298))$	0.02	0.164	45860
HNO ₂	$49 \exp(4880 \times (1/T-1/298))$	0.5	0.13	36639
HCOOH	$5 \times 10^3 \exp(5630 \times (1/T-1/298))$	0.012	0.153	37035
CH ₃ O ₂	$6 \exp(5640 \times (1/T-1/298))$	3.8×10^{-3}	0.135	36639
CH ₃ OOH	$6 \exp(5640 \times (1/T-1/298))$	3.8×10^{-3}	0.131	36255
NO ₂	$1.2 \times 10^{-2} \exp(2500 \times (1/T-1/298))$	1.5×10^{-3}	0.192	37035
N ₂ O ₅	1.4	3.7×10^{-3}	0.11	24170
O ₃	$1.1 \times 10^{-2} \exp(2300 \times (1/T-1/298))$	5×10^{-2}	0.148	36256
CH ₃ OH	$2.2 \times 10^2 \exp(5390 \times (1/T-1/298))$	1.5×10^{-2}	0.116	44404
CO ₂	$3.1 \times 10^{-2} \exp(2423 \times (1/T-1/298))$	2×10^{-4}	0.155	37868
HO ₂ NO ₂	1×10^5	0.1	0.13	28261
NO	1.9×10^{-3}	0.01 ^e	0.227166 ^c	45860
NP2	$\exp(6270/T-16.6)$	0.01	0.07727	21305
NP4	$990 \exp(6000 \times (1/T-1/298))$	0.01	0.07727	21305

^a Harrison et al., 2002^b estimate^c calculated values^d obtained from the online database maintained by Sander (1999)^e Finlayson-Pitts and Pitts, 2000**Table A12.** Liquid phase OH reactions and the corresponding rate coefficient expressions. Data from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000).

Reaction	Rate coefficient/L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
O ₃ +O ₂ ⁻ +H ⁺ →2O ₂ +OH	$1.5 \times 10^9/\text{H}^+$
HO ₂ +HO ₂ →O ₂ +H ₂ O ₂	$8.3 \times 10^5 \exp(-2720 \times (1/T-1/298))$
HO ₂ +O ₂ ⁻ +H ⁺ →H ₂ O ₂ +O ₂	$9.7 \times 10^7 \exp(-1060 \times (1/T-1/298))/\text{H}^+$
HO ₂ +OH→H ₂ O+O ₂	1×10^{10}
O ₂ ⁻ +OH→OH ⁻ +O ₂	$1.1 \times 10^{10} \exp(-2120 \times (1/T-1/298))$
H ₂ O ₂ +OH→HO ₂ +H ₂ O	$3 \times 10^7 \exp(-1680 \times (1/T-1/298))$
CH ₃ OOH+OH→CH ₃ O ₂ +H ₂ O	$3 \times 10^7 \exp(-1680 \times (1/T-1/298))$

Table A13. Liquid phase nitrogen-species reactions and the corresponding rate coefficient expressions. Data from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000).

Reaction	Rate coefficient/L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
N ₂ O ₅ +H ₂ O→H ⁺ +H ⁺ +NO ₃ ⁻ +NO ₃ ⁻	$5 \times 10^9 \exp(-1800 \times (1/T-1/298))$
NO ₃ +OH ⁻ →NO ₃ ⁻ +OH	$9.4 \times 10^7 \exp(-2700 \times (1/T-1/298))$
NO ₃ +H ₂ O ₂ →NO ₃ ⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂	$4.9 \times 10^6 \exp(-2000 \times (1/T-1/298))$
NO ₃ +CH ₃ OOH→NO ₃ ⁻ +H ⁺ +CH ₃ O ₂	$4.9 \times 10^6 \exp(-2000 \times (1/T-1/298))$
NO ₃ +HO ₂ →NO ₃ ⁻ +H ⁺ +O ₂	3×10^9
NO ₃ +O ₂ ⁻ →NO ₃ ⁻ +O ₂	3×10^9
NO ₂ +OH→NO ₃ ⁻ +H ⁺	1.2×10^{10}
NO ₂ +O ₂ ⁻ →NO ₂ ⁻ +O ₂	1×10^8
NO ₂ +NO ₂ →HNO ₂ +NO ₃ ⁻ +H ⁺	$1 \times 10^8 \exp(2900 \times (1/T-1/298))$
O ₂ NO ₂ ⁻ →NO ₂ ⁻ +O ₂	4.5×10^{-2}
NO ₂ ⁻ +OH→NO ₂ +OH ⁻	1.1×10^{10}
NO ₂ ⁻ +NO ₃ →NO ₃ ⁻ +NO ₂	1.4×10^9
NO ₂ ⁻ +Cl ₂ ⁻ →Cl ⁻ +Cl ⁻ +NO ₂	6×10^7
NO ₂ ⁻ +CO ₃ ²⁻ →CO ₃ ²⁻ +NO ₂	$6.6 \times 10^5 \exp(-850 \times (1/T-1/298))$
NO ₂ ⁻ +O ₃ →NO ₃ ⁻ +O ₂	$5 \times 10^5 \exp(-6900 \times (1/T-1/298))$
HNO ₂ +OH→NO ₂ +H ₂ O	1×10^9

Table A14. Liquid phase organic reactions and the corresponding rate coefficient expressions. Data from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000).

Reaction	Rate coefficient/L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
CH ₃ OH+OH→H ₂ O+HO ₂ +HCHO	$1 \times 10^9 \exp(-580 \times (1/T-1/298))$
CH ₃ OH+NO ₃ →NO ₃ ⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂ +HCHO	$5.4 \times 10^5 \exp(-4300 \times (1/T-1/298))$
CH ₃ OH+Cl ₂ ⁻ →2Cl ⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂ +HCHO	$1000 \exp(-5500 \times (1/T-1/298))$
CH ₃ OH+CO ₃ ²⁻ →CO ₃ ²⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂ +HCHO	2.6×10^3
CH ₂ (OH) ₂ +OH→H ₂ O+HO ₂ +HCOOH	$1 \times 10^9 \exp(-1020 \times (1/T-1/298))$
CH ₂ (OH) ₂ +NO ₃ →NO ₃ ⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂ +HCOOH	$1 \times 10^6 \exp(-4500 \times (1/T-1/298))$
CH ₂ (OH) ₂ +Cl ₂ ⁻ →Cl ⁻ +Cl ⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂ +HCOOH	$3.1 \times 10^4 \exp(-4400 \times (1/T-1/298))$
CH ₂ (OH) ₂ +CO ₃ ²⁻ →CO ₃ ²⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂ +HCOOH	1.3×10^4
HCOOH+OH→H ₂ O+HO ₂ +CO ₂	$1.3 \times 10^8 \exp(-1000 \times (1/T-1/298))$
HCOO ⁻ +OH→OH ⁻ +HO ₂ +CO ₂	$4 \times 10^9 \exp(-1020 \times (1/T-1/298))$
HCOOH+NO ₃ →NO ₃ ⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂ +CO ₂	$3.8 \times 10^5 \exp(-3400 \times (1/T-1/298))$
HCOO ⁻ +NO ₃ →NO ₃ ⁻ +HO ₂ +CO ₂	$5.1 \times 10^7 \exp(-2200 \times (1/T-1/298))$
HCOOH+Cl ₂ ⁻ →2Cl ⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂ +CO ₂	$5500 \exp(-4500 \times (1/T-1/298))$
HCOO ⁻ +Cl ₂ ⁻ →Cl ⁻ +Cl ⁻ +HO ₂ +CO ₂	1.3×10^6
HCOO ⁻ +CO ₃ ²⁻ →CO ₃ ²⁻ +HO ₂ +CO ₂	$1.4 \times 10^5 \exp(-3300 \times (1/T-1/298))$
CH ₃ O ₂ +CH ₃ O ₂ →CH ₃ OH+HCHO+O ₂	$1.7 \times 10^8 \exp(-2200 \times (1/T-1/298))$

Table A15. Liquid phase chlorine-species reactions and their corresponding rate coefficient expressions. Data from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000).

Reaction	Rate coefficient/L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
NO ₃ +Cl ⁻ →NO ₃ ⁻ +Cl	$1 \times 10^7 \exp(-4300 \times (1/T-1/298))$
Cl ₂ ⁻ +Cl ₂ ⁻ →Cl ₂ +2Cl ⁻	8.7×10^8
Cl ₂ ⁻ +H ₂ O ₂ →Cl ⁻ +Cl ⁻ +H ⁺ +HO ₂	$7 \times 10^5 \exp(-3340 \times (1/T-1/298))$
Cl ₂ ⁻ +CH ₃ OOH→Cl ⁻ +Cl ⁻ +H ⁺ +CH ₃ O ₂	$7 \times 10^5 \exp(-3340 \times (1/T-1/298))$
Cl ₂ ⁻ +OH ⁻ →Cl ⁻ +Cl ⁻ +OH	4×10^6
Cl ₂ ⁻ +HO ₂ →Cl ⁻ +Cl ⁻ +H ⁺ +O ₂	1.3×10^{10}
Cl ₂ ⁻ +O ₂ ⁻ →2Cl ⁻ +O ₂	6×10^9
Cl ₂ +H ₂ O→H ⁺ +Cl ⁻ +HOCl	$0.40 \exp(-7900 \times (1/T-1/298))$

Table A16. Liquid phase carbonate reactions and their corresponding rate coefficient expressions. Data from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000).

Reaction	Rate coefficient/L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
$\text{HCO}_3^- + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$	$1.7 \times 10^7 \exp(-1900 \times (1/T - 1/298))$
$\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{OH}^- \rightarrow \text{OH}^- + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$	$1 \times 10^9 \exp(-2550 \times (1/T - 1/298))$
$\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{NO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{NO}_3^- + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$	1.7×10^7
$\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{Cl}_2^- \rightarrow 2\text{Cl}^- + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$	2.7×10^6
$\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{CO}_3^{2-} \rightarrow 2\text{O}_2^- + 2\text{CO}_2$	2.2×10^6
$\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{HO}_2$	4.3×10^5
$\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{CH}_3\text{OOH} \rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2$	4.3×10^5
$\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{HO}_2 \rightarrow \text{HCO}_3^- + \text{O}_2$	6.5×10^8
$\text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{O}_2^- \rightarrow \text{CO}_3^{2-} + \text{O}_2$	6.5×10^8

Table A17. Liquid phase equilibria and the corresponding rate coefficient expressions. Data from Herrmann et al. (1999, 2000).

Reaction	Forward rate coefficient/L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Backward rate coefficient/L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
$\text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{H}^+ + \text{OH}^-$	$2.34 \times 10^{-5} \exp(-6800 \times (1/T - 1/298))$	1.3×10^{11}
$\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{H}_2\text{CO}_3$	$4.3 \times 10^{-2} \exp(-9250 \times (1/T - 1/298))$	$5.6 \times 10^4 \exp(-8500 \times (1/T - 1/298))$
$\text{H}_2\text{CO}_3 = \text{H}^+ + \text{HCO}_3^-$	1×10^7	5×10^{10}
$\text{HCO}_3^- = \text{H}^+ + \text{CO}_3^{2-}$	$2.35 \exp(-1820 \times (1/T - 1/298))$	5×10^{10}
$\text{HO}_2 = \text{H}^+ + \text{O}_2^-$	8×10^5	5×10^{10}
$\text{HNO}_3 = \text{H}^+ + \text{NO}_3^-$	$1.1 \times 10^{12} \exp(1800 \times (1/T - 1/298))$	5×10^{10}
$\text{HNO}_2 = \text{H}^+ + \text{NO}_2^-$	$2.65 \times 10^7 \exp(-1760 \times (1/T - 1/298))$	5×10^{10}
$\text{HO}_2\text{NO}_2 = \text{H}^+ + \text{O}_2\text{NO}_2^-$	5×10^5	5×10^{10}
$\text{NO}_2 + \text{HO}_2 = \text{HO}_2\text{NO}_2$	1×10^7	4.6×10^{-3}
$\text{HCOOH} = \text{HCOO}^- + \text{H}^+$	$8.85 \times 10^6 \exp(12 \times (1/T - 1/298))$	5×10^{10}
$\text{HCHO} + \text{H}_2\text{O} = \text{CH}_2(\text{OH})_2$	$0.18 \exp(4030 \times (1/T - 1/298))$	5.1×10^{-3}
$\text{Cl} + \text{Cl}^- = \text{Cl}_2^-$	2.7×10^{10}	1.4×10^5
$\text{Cl}^- + \text{OH} = \text{ClOH}^-$	4.3×10^9	6.1×10^9
$\text{ClOH}^- + \text{H}^+ = \text{Cl} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$	2.1×10^{10}	1.3×10^3
$\text{ClOH}^- + \text{Cl}^- = \text{Cl}_2^- + \text{OH}^-$	1×10^4	4.5×10^7
$\text{HCl} = \text{H}^+ + \text{Cl}^-$	$8.6 \times 10^{16} \exp(6890 \times (1/T - 1/298))$	5×10^{10}

Table A18. Liquid phase mono-aromatic reactions and the corresponding rate coefficient expressions (BENZ and PH represent benzene and phenol, respectively).

Reaction	Rate coefficient/L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
$\text{BENZ} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{PH}$	1.55×10^8 ^a
$\text{BENZ} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{Other products}$	1.55×10^8 ^a
$\text{PH} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{PH loss route}$	6.6×10^9 ^b
$\text{PH} + \text{NO}_3 \rightarrow \text{NITROPHENOL}$	1.8×10^9 ^c

^a Pan et al., 1993^b UNARO, 2001^c Barzaghi and Herrmann, 2002**Table A19.** Liquid phase photochemical reactions included in the model, together with the constants used to parameterise the corresponding photochemical rate coefficients.

Reaction ^a	A	B	C
$\text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \rightarrow \text{OH} + \text{OH}$	1.359×10^{-5}	1.449	1.007
$\text{NO}_2^- \rightarrow \text{NO} + \text{OH} + \text{OH}^-$	8.757×10^{-5}	1.343	9.156×10^{-1}
$\text{NO}_3^- \rightarrow \text{NO}_2 + \text{OH} + \text{OH}^-$	1.439×10^{-6}	1.480	1.019

^a Photochemical rate coefficient parameterised using the formula of Poppe et al. (2001).

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